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Serial No. 10/762,559 1  
Docket No. K06-165935M/TBS  
(NGB.353)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Katsunori Takada, et al.

Serial No.: 10/762,559

Group Art Unit: 1793

Filed: January 23, 2004

Examiner: Tima Michele McGuthry Banks

For: STEEL FOR USE IN HIGH STRENGTH PINION SHAFT AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. The amendments to the claims do not add new matter.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

*Entered USPTO dated 4/20/09.*

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4/24/09*